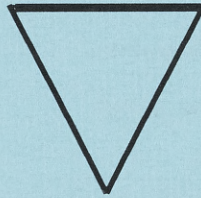
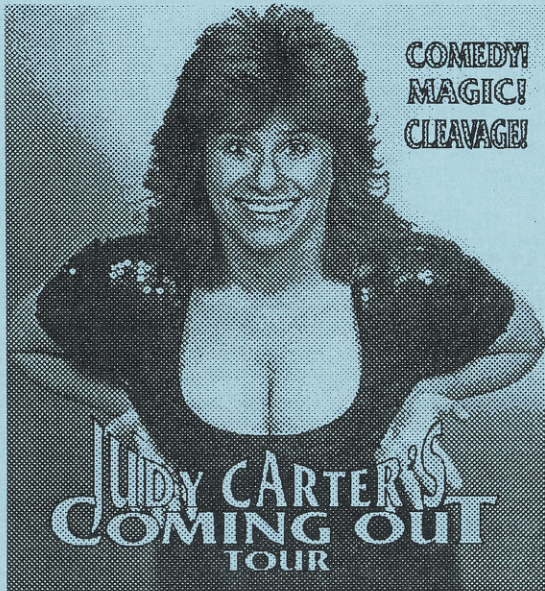


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Judy Carter, actress, comic and author brings her hilarious one-woman show to Sacramento as part of her national Comedy, Magic and Cleavage Tour on Friday January 19, 1996 at Sierra 2 Theater at 2741 24th Street in Sacramento. As a highly acclaimed stand-up comic, Judy has appeared on HBO, Showtime, and Live at the Improv. She is the author of the best selling book *Stand-up Comedy: The Book* (Dell Books) which is in its fourth printing and has been featured on Oprah, Entertainment Tonight, CNN and ABC World News. A regular in Atlantic City, she was nominated for that city's "Entertainer of the Year".

Judy's show tackles gay relationships, political correctness and mind-boggling magic tricks including a death defying escape from her grandmother's girdle. A networking reception will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the Green Room at Sierra 2 with the performance scheduled for 7:30 p.m. in the 24th Street Theater.

Date: Friday, January 19, 1996
Place: Sierra 2, Green Room & Theater
2791 24th Street, Sacramento
Time: 6:30 p.m. Networking
7:30 p.m. Performance
Tickets: \$12 Subscribers
\$17 Non-subscribers
\$17 at the Door:

See order form on inside back cover.
An event for women over 21 only.



From the Steering Committee

Each new year brings a time of reflection and a time to plan for the future. Here at SACWN we are busy reflecting on the surveys that you returned from the November newsletter. Fifty-six responses were recieved from about 600 distributed surveys, just less than 10%. Thank you for taking the time to provide us with your ideas, thoughts, concerns and dreams. We will report more specifically on the results of the survey in the next newsletter.

The first SACWN produced Snow White Champagne Ball was a success. We learned a lot from the production process and more from the comments returned on the small evaluation forms left on the tables at the event. We had 194 women attend the event and report to us that they thought it was "beautiful, very elegant and festive."

Our November event, the potlucks by zip codes, worked really well in some parts of the town and died for lack of interest in others. Those who hosted the three successful gatherings definitely think we should do it again.

On the planning side of approaching the new year, we have worked on a new visual style for this newsletter. (Thank you to the woman who told us not to be afraid to use white space.) You told us that the content was great (another thanks!) and so all of the usual features will remain.

We have some special treats planned for the coming months. In January, comic Judy Carter will bring her comedy and magic to our Sacramento stage. Judy weaves magic into her act and will delight you with her fresh outlook on our life-style.

Our Valentine Dance in February will feature the Heartbeats, a band from Santa Rosa, who last performed for SACWN in February of 1991. Be sure to polish your dancing shoes for the February 17 event.

In March we'll have a taste of theater, (details are still being worked out), and April will bring the Annual Lesbian Film Festival. If you know a lesbian film maker, do have her call us to discuss showing her work.

In the summer you can look for the Fourth Annual Sacramento Women's Gathering at Camp Augusta in July and we have lots of other ideas that we hope you will love.

We enter our twelfth SACWN year with the recognition that our success is directly dependent on your participation in our programs. You have told us that SACWN is an important part in your life. We look forward to the best year ever, together!

*Our very best wishes to you
and your loved ones for a very
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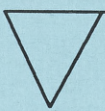
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Special Interest Groups - January

Special Interest Groups, fondly called SIGs, provide a way for our subscribers to meet in a more personal setting and get to know each other while exploring a common interest. Running a SIG is easy. There are just a few simple rules and you have to promise to get information to the newsletter editor by the third Friday of the month. Want to find some new friends to share an interest. Call Sandy at 451-8034 to discuss your idea.

SINGLE CONNECTION

Single Connection begins 1996 with five January get togethers. Exact dates and times will be selected early in the month so phone the women who are hosting right away to get the information in time to participate.

Saturday/Sunday Brunch - Eileen 442-8180

Saturday/Sunday Lunch and Film Matinee - Pat 444-2866

Monday or Thursday Dinner at Eat Your Vegetables - Misty 489-8144

Saturday/Sunday Walk along River - Pat 444-2866

Activity planning meeting over coffee - Misty 489-8144

For general information, phone co-facilitators Misty 489-8144 or Eileen 422-8180.

COUPLES GROUP

Sunday, January 28th at 3 p.m. join us for a Super Bowl and Games Party at Diana and Julie's. Call for directions 361-9422. Bring a dish to share for the potluck and your own drinks.

TOP 10

Here's your chance to have an impact on TOP 10 members monthly activities. A 1996 Calendar of Events discussion is planned for our January dinner outing.

(By the way, for any new or potential new SACWN members, TOP 10 is a SIG for women 50 years young and above.)

On Friday, January 12th at 6:30 p.m., we will be getting together at a local Mexican restaurant to brainstorm about topics/events, etc. of interest to do during the year. So get your ideas down on paper, especially those of us with CRS, and join us for dinner on January 12th.

RSVP to Dee 443-2377 by Thursday, January 11th.

RAINBOW CAMPERS

Just as soon as the thaw, this group will be meeting to plan a 1996 camping schedule. Give Casey a call at 366-7362 to be included.

CYBER SIG

We are working on a web page for SACWN. Come and learn all about using the internet and being on-line. Beginners are welcome.

This SIG is a mini workshop on using the internet that allows you to learn in the comfort of your friends. Resources about the lesbian places on the www are shared.

Join us on Sunday, January 21 at 10:30 a.m. at the SACWN office. Call Anna at 739-6366 to RSVP.

Reach Anna at afong@csus.edu or ana@water.CA.gov. SACWN is now on-line at sacwn@cwo.com.

WILDLIFE, BIRDWATCHING AND PHOTOGRAPHY HIKES

Join these exploring women with cameras. Call Linda at 921-9052.

CULTURE CLUB

Call Ann at 927-6038 for time, and details about these cultural women and their outings.

MOVIE LOVERS GROUP

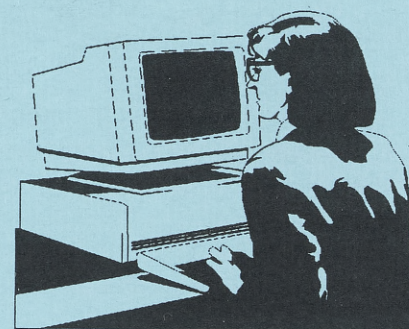
Love movies? Crave popcorn? Call Suzann a call at 452-9619 to find out about the next outing of this group.

MOMS AND KIDS

We meet the third Saturday of the month. For location and time call Paula at 725-9094 (days) or Kim 364-8653 for information.

WOMEN AND FINANCE

Want to talk about money? Call Ann at 927-6038 for details about this group.



SACWN DATES FOR 1996

While some plans are still tentative, the following dates can be marked in your calender "in ink!"

Friday, January 19, 1996

Judy Carter Coming Out Tour

Sierra 2 Theater, 2791 24th Street, Sacramento

Saturday, February 17, 1996

Valentine Dance with the Heartbeats

Unitarian Universalist Society

2425 Sierra Boulevard, Sacramento

Friday, March 22, 1996

Theater

Sierra 2 Theater, 2791 24th Street, Sacramento

April 19, 1996

Third Annual Lesbian Film Festival

Sierra 2 Theater, 2791 24th Street, Sacramento

July 19-21, 1996

Fourth Annual Sacramento Women's Gathering

Camp Augusta, Nevada City, CA

December 7, 1996

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Linda Dufault was born and raised on a farm in Yakima Valley in eastern Washington state. "I learned early about hard work. I was the oldest of seven children born in less than nine years to my parents."

"I was always involved in school activities and student government, but I didn't always want to be a teacher. My mother was a teacher and I was determined I wouldn't follow in her footsteps. But I kept going in the direction of education, found that I liked it and finally had to give in. I am a teacher."

Linda went to a small woman's college called Fort Wright College of the Holy Names. "There I studied English and education and music as a minor. I was student body president in my senior year."

As a young adult, Linda taught school in a small farming town south of Spokane. "There I married a farmer and had two wonderful children. Katy is a sophomore at Mills College, majoring in education. My son Allen is a senior in a high school in Washington State. He wants to study agricultural economics and will probably go to Washington State University in Pullman."

"I was very involved in the community and my children's lives. I was president of the PTA and president of the Altar Society, a substitute teacher while the children were young and taught in a co-operative pre-school. Then, one day I met Denise at church."

"Life became very different when we fell in love. We ended up moving to California and going through a messy divorce and bitter custody battle."

"At first I taught in Sacramento at a Catholic school until I could get credentials in California. Then I took a teaching position closer to home at a school in Esparto. I've taught fourth grade, but recently earned a credential as a Language Development Specialist and am now teaching a fifth grade sheltered English class. The students do not speak English as their first language, most speak Spanish and I have seven migrant students that attend my school just in the beginning and at the end of the year. I really enjoy the change and the



challenge of this classroom."

Linda lives with Denise, her partner of thirteen years, on a 37 acre "gentleperson's ranch" where she tends 25 red and black Angus cattle. I do most of the work involved with their upkeep from irrigation to breeding."

She enjoys gardening, and has both vegetable and flower gardens. "The truth is, the squirrels eat most of the food I grow, it's so frustrating. Someday I hope to spend my time growing beautiful ornamental plants, but for now, it's more like hauling branches, pulling weeds and repairing fences."

She loves to travel and is torn to name her favorite destination. "I loved seeing Montreal, Quebec and the east coast of the United States, but I also like Mexico a lot!" They will be taking cruises this coming year both to the Caribbean and the Mediterranean islands.

Linda has recently begun writing children's literature. "I plan to write and publish full length recreation literature for children."

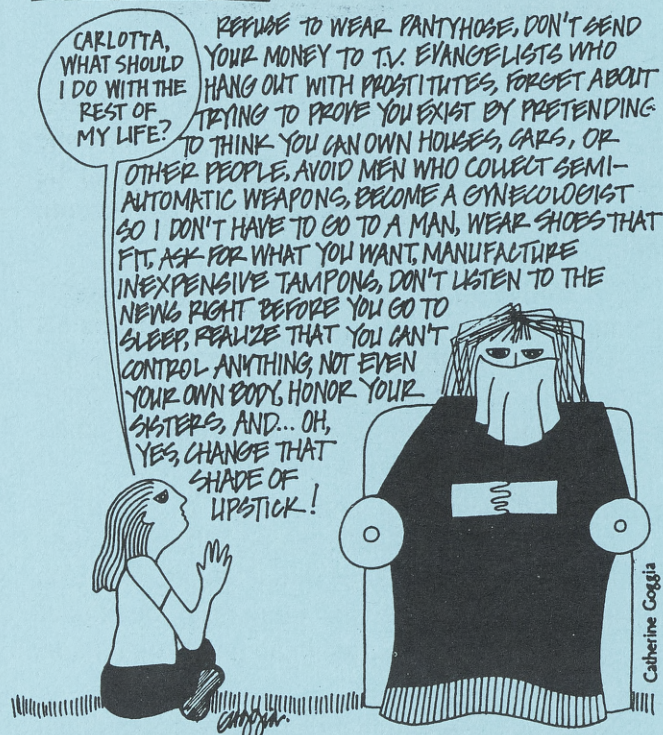
Success to Linda evolves around relationships. "Having good strong relationships with my partner, my family and my friends is the meaning of success to me. I am very happy when I know the strength of my connections with the people in my life."

PROGRESS REPORT....

Pam Walton wrote to tell us that she has finished her film, *Family Values* and incorporated much of the feedback she received at the SACWN showing in September. The film had its world premiere on December 10, 1995 at the Towne Theater in San Jose. The next showing will be on February 4th as part of Cinequest, the San Jose International Film Festival.

Her next step will be to transfer the film from video format to 16mm film so it can compete in the film festivals that make mainstream media pay attention. She is now working on raising \$5000 to cover that cost. When *Family Values* plays at the prestigious film festivals, it will be harder for mainstream broadcast venues like PBS to ignore it. National broadcast with a guaranteed audience of millions, is the big prize that Pam is seeking. Tax deductible

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Please consider being interviewed. The editor has begged everyone she knows personally. All it takes is twenty pleasant minutes to talk about yourself. We'll even send you extra copies of the article for your scrapbook. Call Sandy at 451-8034 to volunteer.

BE COUNTED....

A gay owned survey company, Overlooked Opinions, is promoting a gay census. By calling the free number 1-800-GAY-VOICE, you can participate in a 15 minutes "touchtone" survey designed to survey the likes and dislikes of the gay community. While it is unclear as to how the gathered data will be used, taking the survey is an interesting exercise that reveals the potential marketing strategy that may be employed.

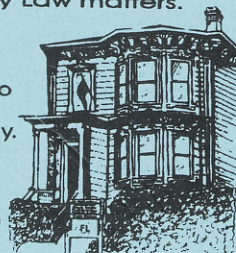
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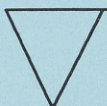
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